



2661

PATENT  
Response Under 37 CFR 1.1116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 2661  
ATTORNEY DOCKET  
NO. 98P7917US

*Rec'd  
6-26-02  
H. Little*

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Shaffer et al. ✓  
Serial No.: 09/189,112 ✓  
Filed: November 9, 1998 ✓  
Title: **APPARATUS AND METHOD  
FOR TELEPHONY FEATURE  
ACCESS AND GATEKEEPER  
POLICY INTERACTION ON  
COMBINED ToL/PBX SYSTEMS**

Group Art Unit: 2661

Examiner: Hom

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with  
the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an  
envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for  
Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this date.

*Bruce Porter*

Date Name: *B. Porter*

*6-14-2*

**RECEIVED**

JUN 26 2002

**Technology Center 2600**

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed April 23, 2002, the Examiner  
is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims  
based upon the Remarks that follow:

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 are pending. Claims 1-20 have been rejected under 35  
U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Spell et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,208,640  
("Spell") in view of Keeler et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,568,544 ("Keeler"). Applicants